



In Lieu of Directors Meeting

Monday, February 20th, 2023

I. City Council Agenda & City Clerk Advisories

- i. No meeting today due to Observing Presidents Day
- ii. Public comments will be held on 2.27.23

II. Directorial Advisories

- i. BP230214 - 1 AA Weekly Approvals City - Jennifer McDonald

III. Constituent Correspondence

- i. Listen to Indigenous Voices - Abbie Ridder
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- iii. Lincoln Bold - Kyle Smith
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- xxiii. Niskithe Prayer Camp - Ryan Martz

Memorandum

Date: February 14, 2023
To: City Clerk
From: Alexis Longstreet, Planning Dept.
Re: Administrative Approvals
cc: Shelli Reid, Planning Dept.

This is a list of City administrative approvals by the Planning Director from February 7, 2023, through February 13, 2023:

Administrative Amendment 22077, to Change of Zone #19002, Stone Bridge Creek Commercial, was approved on February 08, 2023, to update the acreages, revise the site plan, and increase the multifamily unit count on Pad No. 32 from 242 units to 265 units, on property generally located at the intersection of Humphrey Avenue and Centurion Drive.

From: [Abbie Ridder](#)
To: [Council Packet](#); [Mayor](#); [Planning](#)
Subject: Listen to Indigenous Voices
Date: Thursday, February 9, 2023 7:40:28 PM

Hello,

When I moved to Lincoln for college I was encouraged what seemed to be an inclusive forward-thinking city. The injustices occurring at the fish farm are proving that I was wrong.

This city deserves better, our people deserve better. Have we not given indigenous people enough injustice? Where will it end? I encourage you to think about the situation they are in and remember that we have a long way to go before any injustices can be repayed. Let everyone celebrate their culture, their religion, their sacred rights. I cannot watch another culture be whitewashed.

I encourage you to take action to protect the fish farm and help our community continue to build towards a better future.

Thank you,
Abbie Ridder

From: [Jackson Farho](#)
To: [Mayor](#); [Council Packet](#); [Planning](#)
Subject: Supporting Indigenous Cultures
Date: Thursday, February 9, 2023 7:50:13 PM

Hello,

I am emailing because I have learned about the police on the Niskithe Fish Farm/Prayer Camp Site. I am demanding that the mayor remove the police presence at that sight. That is their sacred ground and not be harmed, especially for the well-being of future generations and stewardship provided. In addition, the appeals process is still ongoing too. This morally reprehensible violence, for which the mayor bears **final responsibility**, towards Indigenous peoples will not be tolerated.

Please do better.

From: [Kyle Smith](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Lincoln Bold
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 9:13:31 AM

Taxes payers don't need another building to pay for, especially one that will hurt surrounding small businesses in an already fragile economy. The building is not historic and will be out of place. Where's our property tax relief, and why are you adding more to our debt? When you say you're trying to decrease the tax burden of Nebraskans, you only find more ways to spend our money. I oppose the Lincoln Bold project and so should you. --

Kyle Smith

From: [Mari Benes](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Lincoln Bold: Historic Haymarket
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 9:18:56 AM

Hello,

I am writing in opposition to the Lincoln Bold Project. While expansion is great for Lincoln, this is in the wrong area.

Football and Pinnacle Bank Arena congest traffic. Incoming traffic is blocked creating a hardship for those local businesses in the Haymarket and the railyard. Event parking is high making it cost prohibitive for a family to go enjoy dinner in the Haymarket/Railyard. We've created a situation where small businesses suffer.

Parking is being chipped away. 100 spots reserved for this hotel, or that business. We cannot continue to pack more people into a small urban footprint.

The current garages will not be able to handle this new project. The 2-3 years for street closures, workers taking up parking, etc... then the residents who will need parking. Not to mention the projected convention center. We have a landlocked area between 1-80, the railroad, and the University. We cannot continue to cram more into this small footprint.

This project is irresponsible and a vanity project. New builds in the Haymarket/Railyard should be required to provide enough parking for the living/working units contained within.

Please vote no. There are better areas in which to build this project.

Sincerely,

Mari Benes

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Mari Celeste Benes
BA in Hospitality, Restaurant, and Tourism Management
ACF Certified Culinarian
Developer, Empathy, Includer, Positivity, Responsibility

From: [Bridgette Blumenthal](#)
To: [Tom J. Beckius](#); [Tammy J. Ward](#); [James M. Bowers](#); [Richard W. Meginnis](#); [Michelle R. Suarez](#); [Sandra J. Washington](#); [Bennie R. Shobe](#); [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Haymarket development
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 4:21:23 PM

Lincoln Bold's proposed development in the Historic Haymarket district will directly impact the ability of Haymarket residents and businesses to complete even the most basic of day-to-day tasks needed to live and operate a business in the Historic Haymarket district. Every resident and business will be negatively affected by the construction of this building, every single day, for the entirety of the proposed construction process (2.5-3 years) and beyond.

The ramifications of Lincoln Bold's development project would decimate the Haymarket economy, leading to business closures and revenue loss that would further strain an economy still reeling from the toll that the Covid-19 pandemic caused.

If these concerns are not addressed, and the Lincoln Bold project is approved to move forward, the losses will irrevocably change the landscape of the Historic Haymarket district forever.

Additionally, the Lincoln Bold Project is requesting \$23 million dollars in TIF funding, which would make it the largest TIF funded project in the history of Lincoln. Luxury condos/apartments and a private club, zero affordable housing and zero parking, with a \$23 million dollar loan from the taxpayers of Lincoln. All of this while destroying the Haymarket economy, costing the city of Lincoln millions of dollars in sales tax revenue, and forever changing the "Historic" aspect of the Haymarket district.

Bridgette Blumenthal
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Lincoln NE 68502
402-432-6529

From: Brian Kitten
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Lincoln Bold Project
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 11:28:12 AM

Council members:

I am writing you this email to express my opposition to the Lincoln Bold project on 9th and P St for the following two reasons:

1. There is no parking associated with this project. In the last few years there have been several housing projects that have been built with little to no parking: 8 N, Latitude, Liv Red, Lied and Atmosphere. Due to this, the Haymarket garage, Market Place and Lumberworks parking garages are already extremely full.
2. This project will close west bound P Street which is the main arterial into the Historic Haymarket for up to three years. Closing that will only add to the complaints about congestion and parking and businesses will suffer a financial hardship that they may not survive.

The biggest complaint I hear from customers is they don't want to come to the Haymarket due to the lack of parking. Not only will the construction close down more parking stalls, but will also close the road, take up parking spaces for the construction crews, and will limit foot traffic access. The businesses along the north side of P between 8th and 9th will not even be visible let alone conveniently accessible. This will severely damage their businesses and all the other businesses in the Haymarket as well.

Unless the project adds parking to their plan and moves construction staging off of P Street, keeping P Street open, I ask that you vote no on their request for TIF money and if it's still possible vote no on their redevelopment plan. This is the wrong site for this project.

Brian Kitten
Owner
Brewsky's Food & Spirits
5018 S. 153rd Street
Omaha, NE 68137
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From: [Dennis Tegtmeier](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Cc: [Dennis Tegtmeier](#); [Melody Ell](#); [Jonathan Camp](#)
Subject: Opposition to Lincoln Bold Development
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 5:06:57 PM

Dear Honorable Lincoln City Council, I am writing to you in opposition to the Lincoln Bold Development. I am an attorney (having practiced law for 50 plus years) and have had my law practice and office at 140 North 8th Street in the Ridenour Building for 28 plus years (since December 1, 1994). I meet with clients in my office for conferences and signing documents on a regular basis. I depend on my clients having parking available to them. The Lincoln Bold Development, as presently proposed, I understand will not provide any off street parking. Additionally, I understand that this Development may take 2 or 3 years to complete and during construction the construction and workers will be eliminating and using parking needed for my clients and other businesses in Hay Market

I am not against this project but oppose the Development at the proposed location.

I respectfully request that you do not approve this project at the proposed location.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Dennis C. Tegtmeier
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From: [Joe Jensen](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: End the Covid Emergency Declaration
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 5:51:02 PM

From: [Matt Anderson](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Emergency Declaration
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 5:54:37 PM

Dear City Council,
It is time to end the Emergency Declaration. It has served its purpose and no longer needs to be in effect. Please do this post haste.

Regards,

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While the destination is important....it's what you become along the way

From: [Gary Nelson](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Please end the Covid pandemic!
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 6:05:42 PM

After 3 years the emergency is over! No longer a need!

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From: [Sherrie Rogge](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: emergency drclaration
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 6:34:54 PM

Please end the emergency declaration for us!

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Marcia Williams](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: end the emergency declaration!
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 6:40:58 PM

I am in support of ending the emergency declaration which has been in place over 1,000 days

Sincerely,
Marcia Williams
Lincoln

From: [Jennifer Reeder](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Emergency Declaration
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 7:27:15 PM

It is way past time to end the Emergency Declaration in Lancaster County. It was wrong and unconstitutional to implement it in the first place, no city or county office should have that much power to impact the lives and livelihoods of the residents of Lancaster County.

Time for us to move forward and live like the free people we actually are! Shame on those who succumbed to the fearmongering and mass psychosis of the pandemic agenda, I hope someday all who did this are held accountable for the damage done to individuals and businesses in Lancaster Co.

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Jennifer Reeder
Lincoln Ne

From: [Rennae Anderson](#)
To: [Commish](#); [Council Packet](#); [Mayor](#); [Health](#)
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 7:44:51 PM

Dear Lincoln Leader

It is time to move forward past the Covid Pandemic. The mayor of Lincoln (who lives in Ashland, Nebraska) declared this emergency so long ago, around February or March of 2020. This "emergency" has been in place for over 1,000 days.

This emergency declaration hovering above us is excessive and definitely outside of normal. Let's just all move forward and end this now. I am hopeful if Mayor Leirion will not ease this while she is still in office, the new mayor will then do so as one of her first acts as Mayor. (And really, we do not want that to happen - let's get it done while Mayor Leirion is still Lincoln's beloved mayor!)

Thank you
Rennae Anderson
A person who cares about Lincoln

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Rennae Anderson

From: [Emily Stockton](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Support in ending Emergency Declaration
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 8:29:25 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support of the city of Lincoln ending the Covid Emergency Declaration. It's been years since the initial declaration and the emergency has passed.

It's time for our city to return to pre-covid rules. People can and should be responsible for their own health and safety. I believe people are smart and can figure out how to be good citizens.

Emily Stockton
333 N 56th Street
Lincoln

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From: [Todd Sievers](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: emergency declaration
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 9:13:58 PM

Please support the ending of the emergency declaration. This has been the most politically motivated power grab that I have ever seen.

From: [Mary Anne Classen](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: End emergency declaration
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 9:43:28 PM

I support an end to the emergency declaration.
Mary Anne Classen

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From: [Denise Arnold](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: End the emergency
Date: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 5:49:19 AM

Quite frankly you should have never been in place. I'm in favor of ending the emergency now!

From: chartmansplear@gmail.com
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Ending a Lie.
Date: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 7:06:56 AM

City Council Members,

Please support the ending of the Covid rhetoric it has gone on way too long.

The mayor and the DHHS must also be stripped of their power to make health crisis decisions. We / You need to form a Highly Experienced panel of Doctors and Specialists to make informed decisions for our State. The CDC should be named the center for control not prevention. We are awake and now realize nothing they did stopped the virus but indeed people died by following their incorrect protocols. This must not happen again.

We must also stop any and all forced mandates. Stop mandating a harmful school vaccination program. We have immune systems. If you insist on mandating a Experimental Shot (not a vacine) then expect liability to fall in your lap.

We try to vote in Righteous Conservative leadership but the predetermined elections cancel our choices.

The people want to be heard. We want leadership to protect our State and Federal Constitutions. Please just follow those, stand for Truth and protect our kids.

GOD BLESS.
Cyndi Splear
Voter district # 26

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE device

From: chartmansplear@gmail.com
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Please review.
Date: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 2:37:54 PM

<https://rumble.com/v299qo4--shocking-aaron-siri-exposes-the-lack-of-safety-data-behind-the-hepatitis-b.html>

And then tell everyone they should trust the science
Cyndi Splear.

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE device

From: chartmansplear@gmail.com
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: Research before you act.
Date: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 2:45:01 PM

<https://www.globalresearch.ca/age-stratified-covid-19-vaccine-dose-fatality-rate-for-israel-and-australia/5808019>

Trust the science. Do your own critical thinking and research. How many lives do you know impacted by the shot?
Hmmm

P.U.S.H Pray untill something happens.
We will for all of you.

Respectfully,
Cyndi Splear.

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE device

From: [Beau Howe](#)
To: [Council Packet](#)
Subject: emergency status
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 10:08:06 AM

End the emergency declaration status!!!

From: [Ryan Martz](#)
To: [Mayor](#); [Council Packet](#); [Planning](#)
Subject: Niskithe Prayer Camp
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 1:14:28 PM

Hello Mayor Baird, the Lincoln City Council, and Appeals Board,

My name is Ryan, and living in Lincoln, I would like to express my extreme disappointment in the police presence at the Niskithe Prayer Camp. The appeals process against the new apartment complex is still ongoing, and no environmental damage assessment has been done with regards to this project. The police presence and reprehensible violence against the indigenous peoples who have stewarded this land for generations must end, and final responsibility ultimately lies with Mayor Baird.

While the new housing shows a blatant disregard for sacred indigenous ground and should never be allowed to be built, the bare minimum that the city can offer is that land defenders have access to all legal avenues of resistance such as the ongoing appeals process. I hope you will reconsider your actions with regards to the police presence and the new housing with a lens towards humanity and morality.

Ryan